

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application Number : 10/642,272 Confirmation No.: 3248
Applicant : Fumiyuki HATTORI, *et al.*
Filed : August 18, 2003
Title : THERAPEUTIC METHODS AND AGENTS FOR DISEASES
ASSOCIATED WITH DECREASED EXPRESSION OF AOP-1
GENE OR AOP-1
TC/Art Unit : 1632
Examiner: : Marcia S. NOBLE, Ph.D.
Docket No. : 58777.000012
Customer No. : 21967

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME, AMENDMENT,
AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated January 28, 2008 ("Office Action"), in the above-captioned application.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants respectfully petition for a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for responding to the Office Action. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the time for response be extended up to and including July 28, 2008. The USPTO is hereby authorized to charge the undersigned's **Deposit Account No. 50-0206** in the amount of \$1,050.00 to cover the three-month extension of time fee. No additional fees are believed due. However, in the event of any variance between the amount provided and the fees determined by the USPTO, to enter and consider this response or to maintain the present application pending, please charge or credit any such variance to the undersigned's **Deposit Account No. 50-0206**.

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